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--52. The optical storage medium of claim 1, wherein the optical storage medium stores information in the form of a hologram of spatial polarization modulated data.--

## **REMARKS**

Claims 1-7 and 51-52 are pending herein. By this Preliminary Amendment, claims 8-50 are cancelled, claim 7 is amended, and new claims 51 and 52 are added.

Early and favorable examination of the present application are respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner have any questions regarding this Preliminary Amendment, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' attorney at the telephone number listed below.

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